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Funeral will pass the Monument at 4.30 p.m. today.

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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 24TH, 1906.

COUNT HIROSAWA, a Japanese who passed through Cambridge University with some credit, and who has recently revisited England, has said some startling things to a *Standard* interviewer, about the deterioration of the English which he thinks he noticed. The Count meant well, it is evident, and his remarks make very interesting reading; but we do not think that Englishmen will feel particularly concerned by them, either to take offence, or to flee the wrath to come. The Japanese critic of the people among whom he got knowledge has merely turned the tables upon the average writer of books about Japan. He saw a little, read more, and by an empiric feat of adjustment, arrived at a verdict more imposing than important. Too fond of pleasure, and not fond enough of self-sacrifice, is one of his indictments of JOHN BULL. He has heard of CHAMBERLAIN, and blames the English for buying their "god from abroad"; he has read the "back to the land" agitation of the half-penny papers, and notes "the concentration of the masses in towns"; he has heard quotations from Kipling and SANDOW, and regrets "the absence of physical training"; and we cannot guess his inspiration for lamenting the absence of "the teaching of patriotism." If any branch of learning is neglected in England, we can assure him it is not the cult of patriotism. Every Englishman is "born a little Liberal

or a little Conservative," it has been said; and it may be added that the infant is nurtured on patriotism, or what ought to be called patriotism. Count HIROSAWA says, "But I find in your public life a great many men with axes to grind in Parliament, in the army, and on the Press. There are far too many legal men in your Parliament. More business men are wanted in both Houses. The business element is needed in all Governments, but in England more than anywhere." Columns of comment could be written on that, but as it might lead to one of those interminable discussions like "Do we believe?" or "What is whisky?" we will leave it as a mental stimulant, to be taken "neat." Our critic is still parrot-like in his echoing of the idiotic suggestion that the Anglo-Japanese Alliance (where it implies military help in India if needed) is a symptom of decadence. With equal sense it could be argued that any nation with paid troops is decadent; and that only those with conscription or, better still, with every citizen a fighting-man, are safe. Carried to its logical end, this would make the Zulus the advance guard of civilisation. The Count's point of view is apparent in the remark, "I do not think that the commercial struggle for the markets of the Far East will be so injurious to Germany as to England. German methods of trade are efficient, and Germans work harder than the British will consent to do. I think the commercial rivalry between Japan and Great Britain will be acute, and that Britain will suffer." But it is not worth while following all the melancholy forecast, which is but one more example of the croakings that have been sounded in British ears more or less regularly during the last two hundred and fifty years. It is possible that too much is made of the axiom that a nation must either rise or fall, that there can be no standing still; but without stopping to split straws, it is certain that very often much depends upon the observer. A faddist who sees the world wagging along indifferent to his reforms and panaceas is prone to describe that world as rushing headlong to ruin. Count HIROSAWA may not be a quick-doctor, but he comes from an impressive university, and he seems to have taken his prototypes altogether too seriously. It is almost safe to assume that he subscribed to the *Times* Encyclopedia, for the simple reason that he could not resist the impressive announcement that there was "only one day more." The British Empire's days are not so nearly ended as all that.

Mr. Grieson, late U.S. Minister at Tokyo who has arrived at San Francisco, confirms the statement that Admiral Togo intends to take the Japanese Fleet next year via Suez to England and the United States.

The *Pioneer's* London correspondent wires that the *Daily Chronicle's* Melbourne correspondent telegraphs that the importation of opium for other than medicinal purposes will be prohibited throughout the Commonwealth after 1905.

The Happy Valley is to have a few attractions on Thursday. An inter-club football match between Canton and Hongkong Football Clubs has been arranged, while the Civil Service Club have a cricket match between bachelors and benefactors.

An Association football match has been arranged for this afternoon at the Causeway Bay ground at 5 o'clock sharp between the H. M. S. Torpedo Boat Destroyer *Jaure* and the Lusitano Football Club. The representatives of the latter are: H. Simoes, A. Barros and J. Sequeira. R. Silva, P. Rosa, S. O. Elise, C. Ozeiro, A. Ribeiro, J. Britto and R. M. Castro. Lusitano players are requested to be punctual.

An order by Major General Villiers Hutton, C.B., Commanding troops South China, dated January 23rd, says:—Of the Winter Essays which have been submitted seven are considered good, all of which show study in appreciation, and care and thought in working out. That by Major A. C. Painter, R.E., is considered of sufficient merit to be sent to the Chief of the General Staff. The names of these seven officers are:—Major R. A. Kaye, R.G.A., Capt. C. G. Vercher, R.G.A., Capt. O. L. Price, R.G.A., Major A. C. Painter, R.E., Major S. H. Pedley, 2nd R.W. Kent Regt., Capt. R. M. G. Tulloch, 2nd B.W.K., and Lieut.-Col. A. E. Aitken, 11th Infantry.

"Oh!" said Mr. A. G. Wise, Paines Judge, as he took his seat on the bench at the Supreme Court yesterday morning, "They have altered that horrible piping." His Honor's remark referred to the piping attached to a stove which had been placed in the Court by the P.W.D. to warm its chilly precincts during the winter months. On Monday habitude of the Court were very vocal as to the ingenuity of the Work's official, who had conceived the idea of conveying the said piping to the lofty ceiling in a series of snake-like twines. Evidently the judges did not approve of its appearance, for before the Court sat yesterday morning the dragon-shaped structure had been altered, and the piping is now conveyed to the roof straight as a chimney.

M. Raindre, French Ambassador at Bern, has been appointed Ambassador at Tokyo, when the Legation there is converted into an embassy.

The *Takamatsu-maru*, a steel steamer now being built in the yard of the Osaka Iron Works at Sakurajima, was launched on January 9th. The steamer is ordered by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the service between Osaka and Choshi, via Chikuma, Korea. The vessel is 228 feet long, 32½ feet wide, and 24 feet deep. She will have a speed of 12 knots, and is qualified to receive the Shipbuilding Encouragement Bounty.

A party of fourteen Salvation Army officers and seven children arrived at Kobo by the steamer *Roon* on Jan. 15th from England. The officers go on to Tokyo, from where they will be distributed over the country. Local Salvationists look forward to the promised visit of General Booth to Japan. As is already known, the visit has been postponed, chiefly because the General desires to travel by the quickest route, via Siberia.

The idea of a *Daily Press* correspondent, who signed himself "Old Adam," that the Flower Show should include a competition for Window-boxes of flowers cultivated by children, was adopted by the Committee; but, unfortunately, for some unguessable reason, there has been no corresponding enthusiasm shown by the young people. Entries closed on Sunday, and there was only one. We hope a first prize will be awarded to this praiseworthy young floriculturist.

A very interesting paper was read on Jan. 15th at the Royal Asiatic Society, Shanghai, by Mr. T. W. Kingsmill on "Ancient Tibet and its Frontiers," in which many proofs were brought forward to show that it was a Turanian tribe of the Kuru and not Tibetans that competed so fiercely with the Hans for the possession of the Empire of Eastern Asia. The paper is a continuation of the work done by Mr. Kingsmill in a former paper on "The Mantse and the Golden Chersonese," and is a valuable contribution to the ethnography of Western China. It will be published in full in the journal of the Society.

A Japanese recently presented himself at the Lama Monastery, in Peking, known as the Yungkuo Kung (Yungkuo Palace), and, asking to see the head Lama, requested to be initiated into the Lama's faith. Visions of Japanese aggression and a future Japanese Dalai Lama at once arose in the mind of the Abbot, says a N.C.D.M. correspondent, and he immediately replied that he had no authority to receive any alien into the Monastery. The matter was then referred to the Mongolian superintendency (Lifangyuan), which again referred it to the Waiwupu. The reply that the Lama Abbot gave was eventually repeated by the Waiwupu, viz. that there is no precedent for receiving a foreigner into the Lama Monastery, and the Japanese candidate had to receive this for his final answer.

The Scotch concert to be held on Saturday evening at St. George's Hall promises to be most successful, for in addition to securing the services of local artists of repute, the promoters have arranged a very attractive programme in which the "Auld Scotch songs" will find a leading place. "The excellence of the programme is in a measure guaranteed when one sees that it is to be sustained by local artists of such talent as Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Wood, Messrs. Auld, Barter, Galloway and Leckie, a galaxy of distinguished vocalists, and by Mrs. Ough, a brilliant violinist. The band of the West Kents will be in attendance. The concert is under distinguished patronage, H. E. The Governor and Major General and Mrs. Villiers Hutton having signified their intention to be present.

## RACING NEWS.

Yesterday morning the gallop at the Happy Valley showed the following times:—  
Goetz's Rabbit and Hough's derby, 1 m. 35.1.1.1.45.  
Unknown grey (ridden by Abdul), 1 m. 35.1.08.2.5.  
Mody's Common Rose, 1 m. 38.1.03.1; fastest half mile.  
Caardus, 1 m. 32.3.5.  
La France Rose, 1 m. 35.1.07.  
White's and Smith's accompanied by another, 1 m. 36.1.12.5.1.47.  
Copper King and Banzai, 1 m. 39.2.5.  
Haleyday (Hough and Shewan's), Skip and dan sub, 1 m. 34.1.09.  
Mongolian Chief, 1 m. 32.2.5.  
Mikosh and a sub, 1 m. 33.1.07.1.41.  
Hynes's Sirocco, 1 m. 1.14.  
Governor's chest and blk 1 m. 33.1.05.1.5.1.41.2.5.  
Craig's sub, 1 m. 35.1.5.1.07.2.5.  
Potts sub, 1 m. 32.  
Coronet Rose, 1 m. 31.  
Marchal Niel Rose, 1 m. 30.1.5.  
R. Tadoon's derby, 1 m. 1.02.1.5.  
Highland Star and Highland Man, 1 m. 31.1.5.  
Sundial, 1 m. 37.1.11.  
Humpty's donkey tail and Shewan's sub, 1 m. 34.1.11.1.49.2.21.  
C. P. Chaters' sub, 1 m. 30.4.5.  
Forrest's and Deacon's sub, 1 m. 32.3.5.  
Sunbeam, 1 m. 30.4.5.  
Craig's derby grey, 1 m. 30.2.5.  
S. H. Mitchell's Eling Sun and Meier's Pilot, 1 m. 35.1.5.1.02.2.5.1.03.2.5.  
Crumpshank's derby, 1 m. joined by stable companion (sub), 2 m. 32.1.05.3.5.1.03.4.5.2.12.3.5.  
Gresson's Diamond King and "Drogheda," 1 m. 1st half 31.2.5.1.02.2.5; last half 30.2.5.1.08.4.5.  
Black Cherry and Mody's road derby, 1 m. 30.  
White's dau, 1 m. 34.

## TELEGRAMS.

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## JAPAN TO BUY PHILIPPINES.

London, January 23rd.  
It is rumoured that Mr. Wright, the new American Ambassador to Japan, is to propose the sale of the Philippines to Japan.

## BRAZILIAN NAVAL CATASTROPHE.

London, January 23rd.  
The Brazilian ironclad *Aquidaban* sank immediately after a big explosion at Rio de Janeiro. Three hundred lives, including four Rear Admirals, were lost.

## AMERICAN WEATHER.

London, January 23rd.  
A snow blizzard followed the heat wave in America, the transition from one extreme to the other being remarkably rapid.

## ARMY ESTIMATES.

London, January 23rd.  
There is a great retrenchment in the new Army Estimates.

## PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS.

London, January 23rd.  
To-day's figures are,  
Ministerialists..... 357  
Unionists..... 115

## DEATH OF A FAMOUS REFORMER.

London, January 23rd.  
Mr. George Jacob Holyoake is dead, aged 89 years.

[The late Mr. Holyoake was a remarkably gifted philosopher, lecturer and author, and perhaps the greatest man British journalism can boast of. He was the founder of Secularism (the utilitarianism of Mr. Bradlaugh, expressed as the substitution of the piety of usefulness for the usefulness of piety; the religion of this life only; seeking morality in nature, and happiness in duty), a socialist reformer and agitator, in favour of co-operation, free thought—not atheism—and the complete emancipation and education of the masses. Stuart Mill said he was chiefly instrumental in securing the passage of the Affirmation Act of 1863. "Who's Who" gives that as the date, but it is probably a misprint for the 1859 amendment.) Like many other reformers in those intolerant days, he was made to suffer for his convictions; but, unlike many, has lived long enough to see most of his dreams come true. He gave his favourite recreation as "reading novels."]

## [REUTERS' SERVICE.]

## APPOINTMENTS.

London, January 20th.  
Mr. Wright, the Governor of the Philippines, has been appointed United States Ambassador to Japan.

## BELGIUM.

London, January 20th.  
The Belgian Chamber has passed a bill for fortifying Antwerp at an immense cost, and for re-arming the artillery with Krupp guns.

## THE PROGRESS OF JAPAN.

London, January 20th.  
Viscount Hayashi speaking at Batley, said that Great Britain could be perfectly easy in regard to Japan's progress, and need entertain no idea that such is injurious or contrary to the principles of political economy.

## THE ELECTIONS.

London, January 21st.  
Returns to date:—Liberals 232, Labour 34, Unionists 114, Nationalists 79. Liberal gains, 139; Unionist, 9.

## GERMANY.

London, January 21st.  
A socialist suffrage demonstration passed off quietly in Berlin yesterday. Ninety-two meetings were held in different parts of the city.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The L.G.M. str. *Roon* left Koba via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 21st inst., at 10 p.m., and may be expected here on or about 30th inst.  
The L.G.M. str. *Gueineau*, which left here on Wednesday, at noon, arrived at Singapore on Sunday, at 1 p.m.  
The J.C.J. str. *Tytilap* left Macassar for this port on the 22nd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 31st inst.  
The str. *Gregory Appear*, from Calcutta, left Singapore yesterday afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 28th inst.  
The L.G.M. str. *Willehad* left Sydney on Monday, at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday or Sunday, 10th or 11th Feb.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE FORTHCOMING ROYAL VISIT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, January 23rd.  
Sir,—An article appeared in your valuable paper this morning under the above heading, and being desirous of knowing what this important British outpost is going to do in honour of the Royal visitor, I perused the article, thinking that I would thus be enlightened as to what will be the official programme for his reception, but I was very much disappointed to find nothing of the sort. I am not trying to blame your paper for not doing so, as it appears that very few residents know definitely what is going to be done. I think that it is now high time that the Reception Committee should announce to the public the official programme. Decorations and illuminations take some time to prepare, and with the Chinese New Year holidays intervening between this and the date of the arrival of the Prince, very little time is left for preparations. No outward signs of any preparations are visible beyond the erection of triumphal arches, bamboo scaffoldings around the Post Office and Clock Tower, presumably for illuminations, and the cleaning up of the statues of Queen Victoria and the Duke of Connaught. With regard to the statue of the Duke, I suppose that the inscriptions on the pedestal will either be re-inked or gilded, as they are hardly legible at present.—Yours, etc.,  
A COLONIAL.

## TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

DEAR SIR,—One recent damp day as I clambered up the slippery steps that give access to Blake Pier from the sea and as I gazed awestruck at that wonderful matched roof that is so in keeping with the buildings that now grace our Quay and so worthy of the port it adorns, I could not but think how pleased Prince Arthur of Connaught will be when the full beauty and comfort of the main approach to the Colony are first made known to him.

Joking apart, is it not high time that we should boast something better than that eyesore that has done duty as a covering to Blake Pier long enough, and that we should be provided with a landing place more suitably equipped to meet the convenience of the thousands of travellers who yearly pass through this gateway to the farthest East?

Would it not be an excellent moment of Prince Arthur's visit if the same year that welcomed him here saw the abolition of that terrible anachronism the matched roof, and its substitution by a decent permanent covering, if possible containing a clock, visible from sea and land? (The next appears to be an "aside" to one of our legislators.—ED.)

Mr. Pollock, who sketched out an excellent plan when soliciting the votes of your fellow colonists before your adoption of the honours prefix that now precedes your name, but you omitted that roof. Include it, sir, in your programme of things to be abolished, and if you succeed you will, I am sure, earn the thanks of your constituents and the community at large. (End of "aside.")

I see that when in April, 1890, this Colony had the pleasure of greeting T.R.H. the Duke and Duchess of Connaught that an address of welcome was presented "from the inhabitant" by the Hon. P. Ryrie—who was then the senior unofficial member of Council.

Is it too much to hope that this precedent will be followed on the arrival of Prince Arthur next month, and that the loyal inhabitants of this Colony will be permitted to voice their welcome through the medium of their natural representative—the senior unofficial member of Council? We don't want the real colonist to be entirely obscured by the official element, and I trust that the propriety of permitting the Hongkong resident to outdo himself however mildly into the arrangements for the welcome of Prince Arthur may be patent to those who are "tossing the show."—Yours faithfully,  
A RESIDENT.

## SIR THOMAS JACKSON'S STATUE.

It has long been known locally that a statue was to be erected to perpetuate the memory of Sir Thomas Jackson, who for many years was identified with the Colony. The statue has been made to the order of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and is to be erected on the Bank's property facing Des Vaux Road. The beautifully polished granite pedestal on which the statue is to rest will soon be in position. On the front panel of this is inscribed "Sir Thomas Jackson. Knighted 1899, created a baronet 1902. Joined the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation 1861; appointed Chief Manager 1870; retired 1902."

Prince Arthur of Connaught will probably unveil the statue.

Sir Thomas was born in Ireland, on June 4th, 1841, his father being David Jackson of Morgan, Crossmaglen. He was educated at Morgan's School, Castleknock, Ireland, and by private tutors, and in 1871 married Amelia Lydia Dare. He commenced banking in the Bank of Ireland, Belfast, in 1860, and came to the Agra Bank in the East in 1864. He joined the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation in 1866, and became its chief manager in 1876. He was knighted by Queen Victoria in 1899 for distinguished services to her government, and was created a baronet in 1902.

## SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, January 23rd.

## IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## A COMPOSITION ARRANGED.

*Re Chan Lai-ming alias Chan Yuk-chuen ex parte Sam Chun-nam.*

Mr. H. K. Holmes, who appeared for the petitioning creditor, applied for leave to withdraw the application for a receiving order. The application was supported by a declaration by Leung Lai-kwok, an accountant in the debtor's employ. The declaration set forth that he believed the whole of the debtor's creditors signified their approval of the compromise, which was that debtor should pay a composition of 30 per cent. The composition, which was in Chinese, had been filed, and was duly stamped and signed by all the creditors. Formerly, Mr. Hastings had objected to the speaker making such an application, but his (Mr. Hastings') clients had now signed the composition. So far as he knew, there were now absolutely no dissatisfied creditors.

The Official Receiver raised no objection, and his Lordship granted the application.

## RECEIVING ORDER WANTED.

*Shin Shing-wo ex parte the debtors.*

Mr. C. P. Dixon (of Mr. John Hastings' office) applied for a receiving order. He said the debtors' petition was supported by a declaration of assets on the file made by one of the debtors, Chun Yuk-chiu, who was a partner in the Shin Shing-wo. The assets of the firm in this Colony consisted of book debts and cash to the value of \$6,200 and \$111.32. Of this amount about \$4,000 was recoverable. Liabilities amounted to \$43,450. The debtor had handed him a sum of several hundred dollars in cash—he was not sure of the amount—which he would hand over to the Official Receiver.

His Lordship—That does not seem to be very much, but it is substantial.

Mr. Dixon—I think I can assure your Lordship I have more than enough to pay the Official Receiver's costs.

His Lordship—You say \$4,000 of the assets are recoverable?

Mr. Dixon—Yes, my Lord.

His Lordship—Does the money you have in hand include the \$4,000?

Mr. Dixon No.

Mr. Wakeman raised no objection, and his Lordship granted a receiving order.

## POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, January 23rd.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## AN UNSUCCESSFUL PURSE SNATCHER.

Pau Kai was sentenced to two months' hard labour for attempting to rob Mrs. Glessmann, a resident at the Peak on Monday while the lady, accompanied by her husband and another lady, was walking along Jervois Street on a shopping expedition: the prisoner attempted to snatch her purse but miscalculated the position and caught her thumb. With considerable pressure of mind she held on to his hand and turning to her husband told him to arrest the man, which he did, and subsequently handed him over to the custody of the police.

## A LAME EXCUSE.

Charged with stealing six caps from a stall in Queen's Road, Sam Kin pleaded that he touched them and they fell to the ground. However, he was seen running off by an Indian constable who arrested him. The charge was proved and defendant was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour, with six hours in the stocks.

## THE PROFITS OF GAMBLING.

Twenty Chinamen, evidently in fairly good circumstances, were charged by Detective Inspector Hanson—the first three with keeping a gaming house at 57, and 51, Connaught Road West, and the other 17 with playing fan-tan with dice.

Mr. Hanson said that the house was a club and according to the books as much as \$500 per day was made as interest.

The first two defendants were fined \$1,000 each, the third \$25 and the remainder \$5 each.

## BEFORE MR. C. D. M'LEOD (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## REFUSING WIRE.

A Kowloon ricksha coolie, prosecuted by Mrs. Mabel Mason for refusing to accept a fare while unemployed, pleaded guilty and was fined \$1.

## NEGLECTED MARINER.

The master of the launch *Pacific* was fined \$5 for neglecting to show a proper light while under way.

## TOO MANY PASSENGERS.

The master of the launch *Kwong Tung* was fined \$10 for carrying 11 passengers in excess of his launch. The masters of the *Wicks* and the *Keng Shan* were each fined \$25 for a similar offence.

## A DANGEROUS OMISSION.

A native was fined \$5 for failing to record a death which occurred at 503, Queen's Road West from smallpox to the proper authorities.

## FAILING TO STOP.

The master of the steam launch *Fic Or*, summoned for failing to stop his launch when called upon by the police pinnace, was fined \$10.

## HONGKONG AN INFECTED AREA.

The following telegram has been received from the Government of Burma dated the 22nd instant:—

"Hongkong has been declared an infected area. Inform shipping firms."



## HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held on January 23rd at the Board Room. The Hon. Dr. F. Clark (president) presided, and there were also present: Dr. W. W. Pearce, M.O.H., Dr. Macfarlane, Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, Mr. E. A. Hewett, Hon. Mr. A. W. Brown, Mr. Pang-Wa-chun, Mr. Lau Ching-pak and Mr. G. A. Woodcock (secretary).

## A NEW YEAR PRIVILEGE.

The M.O.H. recommended that the Markets be allowed to be open all night on the 24th, 25th and 26th instant.

## This was agreed to.

## DEPTH AND TURNING OF GRAVES.

Reports were furnished regarding the depths of children's graves, and the turning of graves. With regard to depth Mr. E. A. Hewett pointed out that while fully aware this was a question which the M.O.H. could deal with, he thought it would be more satisfactory to that official if he received definite instructions from the Board.

The M.O.H. said that nearly a year ago the Board agreed to an amendment of the bye-law requiring graves to be seven feet deep, but the amendment was not agreed to by the Governor-in-Council. He found that the section in the Colonial cemetery had never dug graves for children more than about four and a half feet deep. In fact it would be very difficult for a grave digger to dig a child's grave seven feet deep unless he made it correspondingly wider and longer.

The President thought the Board could safely allow the M.O.H. to use his discretion in the case of graves of children.

Mr. Hewett seconded, and the motion was carried.

With regard to the question of turning Mr. Hewett said he did not understand what objection there could be to covering a grave with chumam. On general principles he would interfere as little as possible with Chinese custom in the matter of graves unless that custom is opposed to reasonable sanitary precautions.

Mr. F. J. Badley said that on visiting the Caroline cemetery he noticed that several graves had been covered with chumam, rendered in cement, and asked if it was a suitable material. He had ordered the section to discontinue the use of cement rendering until further instructed. Under bye-law 6 he considered they had power to prohibit its use. The covering of graves was done by relatives of the deceased. If the Board undertook the work it could be done in a more uniform and satisfactory manner.

The M.O.H. intimated—The cemetery bye-laws require graves to be turned, but there is nothing to show who is responsible for the turning. I suggest that the Board have a contract for the work, as this will be far more satisfactory than leaving the matter to relatives of deceased persons. I do not think we can compel such relatives to do the turning.

The President thought matters had better stand as they were. If graves continued to be worshipped the chumam covering would be kept in order. If not, the remains could be disturbed after seven years.

The M.O.H. asked if there was any objection on the part of the Chinese members to the graves being covered with turf. This allowed the air to get into the ground, which was an important thing, as it increased the rate of decomposition of bodies.

Mr. Fung Wa-chun said there was no objection other than the matter of expense.

The M.O.H. thought such was the case. It would be far better for the Government to take the matter in hand and have the graves covered with turf.

The President—It is a question of fee. Either the Government take over the entire cost or increase this fee, and the Registrar General is against raising the latter. The question is, are we to ask the Government to bear all the expense?

Mr. Hewett—What is about the cost?

The President—Something like \$6,000 a year.

Mr. Hewett—I don't think we ought to impose extra cost on people who bury their dead here. If there is any further expense the Colony ought to bear it.

## The paper was laid on the table.

## A NEW MARKET.

The Hon. Director of Public Works forwarded a letter stating that the new market at Mongkok was now completed.

Mr. A. Gibson, C.V.S., said he had seen the Hon. Registrar-General with reference to it and they submitted for the consideration of the Board, that there should be 20 vegetable stalls; 4 poultry, 6 meat and 19 fish stalls.

## The stalls are to be arranged accordingly.

## OUTBREAK OF FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

The M.O.H. furnished a minute in which he reported the outbreak of foot and mouth disease at the Dairy Farm, Pokfulam.

The President said there was no danger to be anticipated with regard to this outbreak. The Medical Officer of Health had the matter in hand.

The M.O.H. said everything was being done that could be done.

## The minute was laid on the table.

## RAT RETURN.

For the week ending January 13th 661 rats were caught, 20 of which were infected. 642 rats were caught for the week ending 20th instant, of which 21 were infected.

The bark of our neighbour's dog distresses and alarms us less if we have a dog in our own back yard whose bark we hear with some humorous satisfaction.—The Week's Survey.

## PROPOSED CIVIL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE STORE.

In a circular issued by the committee appointed to elaborate some scheme for a Co-Operative Society in Hongkong, the following two are laid before Civil Servants:—

Scheme A comprises the raising of money by means of shares transferable and withdrawable, and the establishment of a store, with a manager and distributing staff, goods being imported from England, Australia, etc., and supplied to members at current prices which would cover the expenses of administration, insurance, and so on. Every member must take up at least one \$20 transferable share under this scheme, and may take any number of withdrawable shares which the committee will offer as capital is required. Interest will be paid on all shares. All net profits are divisible among members in proportion to their purchases. Liability will be limited to the amount of shares held.

Scheme B, comprises the drawing up of a price list of articles most in use, at current rates, and then the calling for tenders from all local tradesmen as to what discount they would be prepared to give off the monthly accounts of members in respect of the items so specified. Membership of the society would be confined to Government servants and an annual subscription of \$5 or \$10 a year would be charged to pay for expenses of printing, advertising, etc. Any surplus funds arising from such subscription would be set apart for prospective extensions of the scheme which would probably take the direction of establishing a small store for these articles which could not be satisfactorily obtained by tender. It is anticipated that it will be greatly to the advantage of members to deal with the successful tenderer, but of course there could be no compulsion in the matter, and it will be equally advantageous to the successful tenderer to supply such goods as will enable him to retain the custom of the members.

It is also proposed that the stipulated discount will only be allowed in respect of accounts which are paid monthly, that is to say, the account for the month of January must be paid not later than the last day of February, or no discount will be allowed. Whichever scheme is adopted will be confined to Government servants.

## SLAVES OF GRAMMAR.

We are reminded of that memorable epigram which called Storeran "a master of English but not a schoolmaster," by a series of interesting papers written by Professor Lounsbury, of Yale University, on language. Sir Walter Scott, says Professor Lounsbury, "is saved from an infinity of errors by that fine sense of expression which belongs to him by the right of genius," and "he can therefore afford to disregard and usually to despise the rhetorical digressions which more or less ignorantly set out to show him what to avoid." Scott is, he says, constantly spoken of as a very careless writer, and his productions "have been a favourite hunting ground for verbal critics." This, says Professor Lounsbury, writing in *Napier's Magazine*, "simply because he disregarded a number of rules which men infinitely inferior to himself have set up as tests for correctness of speech." Not even his regard for his son-in-law was sufficient to induce him to disguise his contempt for his son-in-law's linguistic criticisms. There is a significant entry in his diary which bears upon this subject, under the date of April 22, 1826. "J. G. L. points out," he writes, "some solecisms in my style, as *avoid for avoid, scarce for scarce*.—Whose, he says, is the proper genitive of which only at such times as which retains its quality of impersonification. Well, will try to remember all this, but after all I write grammar as I speak, to make my meaning known, and a solecism in point of composition, like a Scotch word in speaking, is indifferent to me. I believe the hallmark in the 'Good-Natured Men' is not far wrong when he says, 'One man has one way of expressing himself, and another another, and that is all the difference between them.'"

The passage just quoted is interesting for two reasons. It exhibits, in the first place, the different attitude towards expression assumed by the man who approaches speech from the side of literature and the man who approaches it from the side of what he deems grammar. The one feels himself the master of language; the other regards himself as its slave. But the passage conveys a much more useful lesson as to the distinction prevailing between the two. That is, the superiority of the most careless man of genius to the most careful man of talent in the very matter in which the latter arrogates to him self special proficiency.

## ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

The quarterly meeting was held at Happy Valley on the 20th and 21st instant.

The following were the best returns:—

MACLEWEN CUP.		
Mr. A. B. Lawson	84	3 = 81
Hon. Mr. G. Stewart	87	5 = 82
Mr. M. A. Murray	87	5 = 82
Major Polley	85	3 = 82
Mr. H. Pincney	94	12 = 82
Mr. C. H. Gale	99	15 = 84
Mr. J. Clark	85	1 = 84
Mr. J. C. Stout	102	17 = 85
Mr. C. W. May	89	3 = 86

—MARTIN CUP.

Mr. M. A. Murray	2
Mr. C. E. H. Bourke	2
Mr. A. B. Lawson	3
Mr. J. Clark	3
Major Polley	3
Mr. C. W. May	5

\* Winner of MacEwen Cup.  
+ Tie for Martin Cup.  
The pool tied for Major Polley and Mr. A. B. Lawson, who tied with a net score of 81 strokes.

## REVIEWS.

*Adversaria Sinica*; by HERBERT A. GILES. With Illustrations. Shanghai: Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.

We are pleased to see the sign "No. 1" on the cover of this slim publication, for assuredly a long series in this vein will be heartily welcomed. In this number, Professor Giles gives us only two dissertations, one entitled "Who was Si Wang Mu?" the other, "What is filial piety?"

Reading the first few pages, we were disposed to wonder that learned men should care to propound such apparently idle questions. In any case, what can it matter who or what a figure of Chinese tradition was really thought to be? But that was before we found out that the question had an answer waiting for it. We are reminded of nearly all the sinologists who have asked this question, and of their theories and speculations. There was even a doubt in some minds whether it was a place or a person. We will leave all that to the curious reader, merely remarking, for the benefit of the admirers of Mr. Oliver Rehnberg, that one Professor tried hard to prove that the lady of the legend must have been the Queen of Sheba! Professor Giles, taking the consensus of Chinese opinion that Si Wang Mu was a woman, and a goddess at that, ingeniously shows how in all her attributes she corresponds to Hera, or Juno. In this connection we admire his settlement of the vexed question of the reference to "weak water." The inhabitants of a country so much interested by swiftly-flowing rivers must have been impressed by the less obvious motion of ocean. It is certainly to be preferred to the far-fetched consanguinity of "jo shui" and Jordan (river). The more enjoyable excursion, to us, was the second, on definitions of filial piety. Confucius replied to the third time of asking (to Tzu-lu), "So man." For twenty centuries, the sinologists, Chinese and foreign, have been asking what those two characters meant. The very various attempts of the common talkers are traversed, and then the following is sprung on us:—

"It may seem presumptuous after the above exordium to declare that the meaning of these two characters lies, *à la Bill Stumps*, upon the surface."

When Tzu-lu asked Confucius, "What is filial piety?" the latter replied simply, "to define it is difficult," a most intelligible and appropriate answer.

And an answer, we venture to add, very characteristic of the Sage. It is explained that the first character (ss) comes to mean "define," through the very simple steps of "sort" or "kind," and then—as every Chinese character can be a verb, substantive, or other part of speech, with equal ease—"to sort," "to arrange," under sorts, "to place in the proper category," "to define." *Solemnatur tabula.*

An Introduction to the History of Chinese Pictorial Art; by HERBERT A. GILES. Professor of Chinese at Cambridge. Shanghai: Kelly and Walsh, Ltd.

Under this modest title the distinguished sinologue has written what happens to be the first serious attempt to treat the pictorial art of China historically, from the Chinese point of view. Indeed, from that vantage-point, it is the first time the theme has been attacked in any European language. It is compiled from original translations of Chinese authorities. Mr. Laurence Binyon, of the British Museum, is responsible for what the author regards as "the illuminating notes" made on the specimen pictures. We may as well dispose of these illuminating notes first, which do not claim to be written from the Chinese point of view at all. We are willing to listen respectfully to authoritative comments on the spirit of Chinese art, its supposed aims and visible tendencies, but we decline to believe in the professions of a modern European eye of ability to see artistic beauty that we can see for ourselves does not exist. It may be that the original is fairer to view than the reproduced copy, but no difficulty of printing can interfere with the action of a genre picture. We are bidden to note "the rebellious gesture of the boy undergoing his toilet," and in a stiff group of the "you dirty boy" order, we discover a Chinese boy standing on his left foot, his right extended in the manner of the ballet dancer's first step, his left arm sloping stiffly downward at an angle of about forty-five degrees from the vertical, and his right bent in exactly the form of a soldier's salute. A figure (sex doubtful) brandishes, in an indignant manner, something that might be a sponge over against his right ear. We regret to observe that the poor little fellow's left wrist is badly dislocated. A stout party in the right foreground, patently afflicted with the complaint known as mumps, appears to be dressed in a ball of twine, twisted up and down about his form. The artist seems to have been attempting to draw a man without lifting his brush, a trivial performance that used to mark calligraphic experts a generation ago. Three specks at the back suggest the idea of perspective. Of this composition, Mr. Binyon writes, and proudly appends his initials, "For beauty of sweeping yet sensitive line, few paintings in the world approach this!" "There is nothing primitive about the workmanship," "the exquisite modulations of the brush," etc., etc. This is sheer affection, and there's an end of it. The sketch, if it be an original, which is at least doubtful, is a very ordinary attempt of no beauty; on a par with the things a child produces on his slate sometimes. The original may have been nicely coloured, we cannot say anything of that; but the drawing is bad, and should not be spoken of in bated breath as if it were the chef d'œuvre of a Turner. We doubt, moreover, as Chinese paintings

are always in water colour on very perishable material, if this reputation has been anything to justify his encomiums. Professor Giles' letterpress, however, is as interesting as that writer usually makes it, and he is to be highly commended for such a readable compendium of Chinese art history and gossip. It will undoubtedly be the text book on the subject for a long time to come.

## TORTURED AS A SPY.

OUTRAGE BY RUSSIANS UPON A BRITISH MERCHANT.

Mr. Joseph Ernest Geddes, a British merchant at Hongkong, has arrived at Grimsby from Hongkong, and proceeded to London to petition the Foreign Office relative to his arrest by the Russians as an alleged spy in Manchuria, charged with selling plans of Port Arthur to the Japanese.

He states that having obtained permission to trade in Manchuria he left his branch at Tientsin last December. Upon reaching Mukden he was arrested as a spy, and was charged with selling plans of the fortifications of Port Arthur to the Japanese.

His papers were taken up and his clothing was cut up in search for any incriminating documents, the only reply to his remonstrances being, "Oh, you British are all the same; you would help the Japanese."

Wearing nothing but trousers, shirt, and stockings, he was placed in a small room preparatory to being shot on the following morning. Ten days passed, and Mr. Geddes says each day he was told that the next would be his last. He managed to write several letters to General Kuropatkin asking for an explanation, but no reply came.

At the end of ten days he was sent under escort to the military prison at Harbin. Here he remained for six months until June 15, his repeated applications to General Nal roff for an investigation being futile. General Nadaroff did eventually visit him, and, according to Mr. Geddes, admitted that he did not know why he was imprisoned except that it was by orders of the Commander-in-Chief.

A few days later Geddes was removed from Harbin and placed among a gang of forty criminals, and hustled into a prison wagon with three soldiers watching each man. Their destination, he learned, was Irkutsk, in Siberia. He had then nothing but his trousers, shirt, and stockings, and from that period up to the time he reached Warsaw the horrible journey amidst the snow included halting at fifteen prison camps en route.

At Warsaw, though suffering from exposure, he was placed in a small room devoid of furniture and without sufficient warmth. Each morning he says an official came in for ten or twelve days, and giving him half a dozen lashes with his belt, said, "Confess you are a spy." He refused, and whipping eventually ceased.

Continuing his story, Mr. Geddes says he managed to get into touch with some political prisoners, and smuggled a letter to the British Consul. He was removed to another prison but the Vice-Consul sought him out, and, having heard his story, the British Ambassador was communicated with. The latter brought the matter before Count Lamsdorff.

Mr. Geddes states that he has since seen the correspondence, in which Count Lamsdorff asked why Geddes was sent half-naked across Siberia, and also ordered his immediate release. Ultimately he was set free, but no apology was offered him.

A Jew gave Mr. Geddes some clothes, and the British Consul bought him a ticket to Berlin. From there the British Ambassador sent him to Hamburg, whence the Consul shipped him to Grimsby. Mr. Geddes was born in Hongkong, and possessed an extensive printing and general merchandise business. (We reproduce the above, headings, misspelled names, and all, from the *Daily Chronicle*.)

## JAPAN-CHINA TREATY.

ALLEGED "SECRET AGREEMENT" TEXT OF ARTICLES NOT PUBLISHED WITH THE TREATY.

There has been a wide-spread belief that in addition to the clauses of the recently published Treaty between Japan and China, there existed a secret agreement between the two Powers. It was, indeed, reported that Baron Komura, addressing his countrymen at a reception given in his honour at Tientsin, had made a statement to the effect that there was a secret agreement. Naturally these rumours have created intense curiosity on every hand, and the information gleaned by the Tokyo correspondent of the *Asahi* substantiates the rumour to some extent, though belittling its importance.

According to the journal already referred to on the subject, the article of the documents relating to the recent negotiations at Peking were delivered to the new Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Kato, by Baron Komura. The Foreign Minister demanded that the secret agreement, if annexed to the Treaty, should be shown him, so that there should be nothing concealed that had reference to the relations between the two Powers.

It is now transpired that the "secret agreement" consists of about half a dozen chapters of records of the proceedings at Peking between Baron Komura and the Chinese plenipotentiaries, containing various agreements between the two Governments. These records, it is stated, will not be published, but the *Asahi* correspondent indicates their purport.

The first provides that the proposed railway between Mukden and Shantung shall be constructed by the Chinese Government, with capital provided by the Japanese Government. The second contains an undertaking by China not to construct a railway line to the North of Changchun, to compete against the Chinese Eastern Railway, nor to allow any foreign Power to construct such a line.

The third provides that the railway between Kirin and Changchun shall be exclusively and jointly constructed by Japan and China, and other authorities to be allowed to construct such a line under any circumstances.

The fourth binds the Chinese Government not to construct a line in competition with that mentioned above between Kirin and Changchun, nor to allow any other authority to do so. It is believed in some quarters, says the correspondent, that Mr. Kato will publish the "secret agreement." Baron Komura has handed his successor no further documents bearing upon the new Treaty, nor has he made any verbal reference to a secret agreement.

The *Asahi* correspondent states that it may safely be said that no such secret understanding, in the proper sense of the words, exists between the two Powers. The Treaty and its accompanying agreement are merely the acquisition of Japan's rights, which will call for considerable energy to carry out. He further states that Mr. Kato, the Foreign Minister, has discovered certain other questions relating to Manchuria which must be settled with China.—*Japan Chronicle*.

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## THE PERING TREATY AND MANCHURIA.

It is interesting to learn that the Japanese press comments rather unfavourably upon the Treaty just concluded between Japan and China. It is rather in the 12 Articles of the Supplementary Treaty, observes the *Jiji Shimpō*, that matters of some importance are embodied. In Article I it is stipulated to open to trade sixteen cities and towns in Manchuria; while in Article VI it is provided that the military railway between Antung and Mukden should be converted for commercial use and left to the control of the Japanese Government for a term of 15 years after its completion, on the expiration of this term the property to be transferred to the Chinese Government.

It is exceedingly disappointing, the *Jiji* continues, that the railway concessions for the Changchun-Kirin and Mukden-Shantung projects, which are popularly believed to have been claimed by Japan, do not appear in the Treaty. From the proceedings of the peace conference at Portsmouth it seems that the Japanese envoys insisted that the railway south of Harbin should be transferred to Japan, but the Russians persisted in drawing the line of demarcation at Changchun. The Japanese plenipotentiaries ultimately agreed to the Russian proposal on the condition that Japan should be allowed the right of constructing a branch line between Changchun and Kirin. Japan, however, has failed to secure this concession and the spirit of the Portsmouth conference has been shattered.

With regard to the railway between Mukden and Shantung, built by Russia for military purposes, the matter seems not to have come up for discussion at Portsmouth, but since it has been captured and used by Japan it is only proper that she should continue its management. This railway is most important for the opening of the interior resources of Manchuria, and Japan ought to have secured the right of its control. Japan's diplomacy has also failed in this respect, and the railway, which is already built, is to be disposed of to China. The opening of various cities in Manchuria, being what has been desired by China, can hardly be regarded in the light of a diplomatic success for Japan. The only thing, concludes the Tokyo journal, which we must require of the new Government is that it shall not fail to turn to good account whatever Japan has obtained in Manchuria. When the Treaty of Peace was published, says the *Asahi*, and the plenipotentiaries of the two Governments met to the stipulations of Articles V and VI, and blamed the Government for the insertion of such conditional clauses. It has been admitted by all intelligent men, however, that Russia could hardly act upon her own will regarding the transfer of the lease and other rights and therefore the obtaining of China's consent in these matters was inevitable. The Government, considering a settlement of the pending questions a serious responsibility, took the earliest opportunity of bringing the business to an end. In addition to the "Treaty proper" the 12 Articles of the Supplementary Treaty are full of great possibilities in the future opening-up of Manchuria. No fewer than sixteen cities and towns in the region have been opened to trade, and railway and other means of communication will be developed to their utmost capacity in a few years. In short, the much talked-of principle of the "open door" and "equal opportunity," which have not yet been introduced into North China and the Yangtze region, are about to see their practical application in the three provinces of Manchuria. Japanese must endeavour to derive material profit from these privileges by the energetic use of capital and labour. Japan must not be content with a mere empty name in Manchuria. The Chinese Government never thought of carrying out a policy which satirists of

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### SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

ULTRA-VIOLET LIGHT FROM METALS—CLIMATE—THE GREAT WORLD-MAP—LIGHT WHEN HEATED—SEA WATER—GOLD—ALCOHOL IN MEDICINE—RADIUM'S ENERGY—A NOVEL FISH-DAM.

The brightness of the Arctic landscape even on a cloudy winter night has suggested to Prof. Melander, of Helsingfors, that the snow has some luminosity of its own. Testi th with a camera buried in the snow, no satisfactory results were reached at first, but a striking photographic effect appeared later. As the sensitive plates had been covered with sheets of metal, it was thought necessary to determine the influence of these sheets. The experiments have proven that radiations from metals—so evident at white heat—are still emitted in cold, and that all metals give off violet and ultra-violet rays even at ordinary temperatures. Chemical action at the surface of the metal is a possible cause. It is suggested that the ionizing power of these rays play an unconsidered part in nature, and that they may specially affect the eyes of animals that see in the dark.

Medical climatology, a medical writer tells us, is developing into a science. It is an American science, for it is in America, where the many types of men are out of their natural habitat, that the habit of seeking a change of climate as a general cure-all has become almost universal. The kind of change needed is gradually becoming understood. A dry and bracing climate is not adapted to all persons, and sunshine is too stimulating for many, while damp and fog seem to be necessary for certain nervous people and perhaps all blondes. An equable, relaxing climate acts as a sedative in disease of heart and kidneys.

The projected map of the whole world on a scale of 1 to 1,000,000, or about one sixteenth of an inch to a mile, will embrace 437 sheets, of which 69 are reported to have been finished up to last March. On this map the United States will have a length of 18 feet.

One of the scientific surprises of recent years is the discovery that we are often surrounded with substances—decaying meat, fish or wood—that may be shining with a faint, ghostly light from a covering of minute self-luminous plants. So generally overlooked is the phenomenon that one of the latest students of the subject, Dr. Hans Molisch, for two years vainly inquired of dealers for luminous meat, but on beginning investigation at home found that 87 per cent. of beef and other flesh glowed spontaneously after being kept in a cool room for two or three days. The luminous meat seems to be everywhere present, due in all cases to a single species of bacteria. The same investigator has found luminous decaying leaves in tropical forests, and has proven that many fallen leaves of oak and beech in Europe shine with a soft, white, steady light, the luminous fungus in this case being unknown. With one or two possible exceptions, all luminous plants are now known to belong to two species of fungi, filamentous and bacteria, about thirty species of bacteria, and half as many of other fungi having been recognized as luminous. The luminosity differs from that of animals in persisting for days, months or even years instead of lasting not more than a few seconds or minutes, but a modern theory is that in both cases the light is due to chemical action of oxygen, and moisture upon a hypothetical substance named photogen.

Whether a body gains or loses weight on heating, or neither, is a problem of possible importance. A comparison of the attraction of two bodies at different temperatures can hardly be made, and Poynting, an English physicist, has tried the plan of weighing a body when cold and again when heated. With great care, it was shown that the solid body weighing 208 grammes lost 0.003 of a milligramme on being heated from 15 degree to 100 degree C.

In a recent experiment, the addition of one per cent. of vanadium increased the tensile strength of steel from 61 to 69 tons per square inch.

In the new Belgian process for extracting gold from the ocean, a ton of the water is treated with a special of concentrated aqueous solution of chloride of tin, when the gold is converted into purple of Cassius, and may be precipitated, together with hydrate of magnesium and the excess of tin, by adding a pound of slacked lime. When this precipitate is dissolved in dilute solution of cyanide of potassium, the gold may be precipitated with zinc or other reagent. This process showed no gold in the Mediterranean and the English Channel, but traces were found in water from the Atlantic.

Alcohol in some form was formerly the main dependence in severe injury and disease. Medical men have been gradually proving it to be of less value as a healing agent than was so long believed, and Dr. Dawson Burns has now cited London statistics showing that there are quite as many recoveries without it as with it. In one hospital where alcohol has been practically discarded, for instance, the mortality from typhoid fever for ten years has been 12.27 per cent., while in other metropolitan hospitals the death-rate for 1904 was 14.58 per cent.

Only a small portion of the extraordinary energy of radium proves to be that of the alpha, beta and gamma rays. Recent experiments have been made by K. Angstrom with calorimeters of lead, copper and aluminium, and the results indicate that most of the energy must be given out in the form of radiant heat.

The fish of Little Belt in Denmark, being very shy of light, move about only on dark nights, and this has suggested the curious experiment of lighting the channel bottom with incandescent lamps to prevent migration of the fish to the larger seas.

A temperature of about 4,000 deg. F. in the gasoline engine has been recorded for the hottest part of the exploding mixture.

### MARK TWAIN AT SEVENTY.

HIS PERENNIAL YOUTH.

Mark Twain was the guest of honour at Dolmone's in New York on the night of Dec. 6th, the occasion of the gathering being the humorist's seventieth birthday. Mr. George Harvey, the President of Harper Brothers and Editor of the *North American Review*, was the host, and the guests confined to the literary class, nearly half of them belonging to the fair sex. During dinner a congratulatory cable was read from forty of the most prominent writers in England, and there was also a most sympathetic letter from President Roosevelt.

When Mark Twain arose to speak he could not proceed for several minutes on account of the cheers that were given in greeting. He said:

"The seventieth birthday—it is the time of life when you arrive at a new and awful dignity; when you may throw aside the decent reserves which have oppressed you for a generation and stand unafraid and unabashed upon your seven terraced submuit and look down and teach, unrebuked. You can tell the world how you got there."

"It is what they all do. You shall never get tired of telling by what delicate arts and deep moralities you climbed up to that great place. You will explain the process and dwell on the particulars with senile rapture. I have been anxious to explain my own system this long time, and now at last I have the right."

"I have achieved my seventy years in the usual way, by sticking strictly to a scheme of life which would kill anybody else. It sounds like an exaggeration, but that is really the common rule for attaining old age. We have no permanent habits until we are forty. Then they begin to harden, presently they petrify, then business begins."

"Sixty forty I have been regular about going to bed and getting up—and that is one of the main things. I have made it a rule to go to bed when there was not anybody left to sit up with; and I have made it a rule to get up when I had to. This has resulted in an unwavering regularity of irregularity."

"In the matter of diet, which is another main thing, I have been persistently strict in sticking to the things which didn't agree with me, until one or the other of us got the best of it. Until lately I got the best of it myself. But last spring I stopped frolicking with mince pie after midnight. Up to then I had always believed it was not loaded. For thirty years I have taken coffee and bread at 8 in the morning, and no bite nor sup till 7.30 in the evening."

"I have made it a rule never to smoke more than one cigar at a time. I have no other restrictions as regards smoking."

"As for drinking, I have no rule about that. When the others drink I like to help; otherwise I remain dry, by habit and preference. This dryness does not hurt me, but it could easily hurt you, because you are different. You let it alone."

"Since I was 7 years old I have seldom taken a dose of medicine and have still more seldom needed one. But up to seven I lived exclusively on allopathic medicines; not that I need them, for I don't think I did; it was economy. My father took a drug store for a debt and it made cod liver oil cheaper than the other breakfast foods. I was the first standard oil trust; I had it all. By the time the drug store was exhausted my health was established, and there has never been much the matter with me since."

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"I have lived a severely moral life. But it would be a mistake for other people to try it or for me to recommend it. Very few would succeed. You have to have a perfectly colossal stock of morals, and you cannot get them on a margin; you have to have the whole thing and put them in your box. Morals are an acquirement, like music, like a foreign language, like piety, poker, paralysis. No man is born with them. I wasn't myself; I started poor."

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FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 24th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELLEUS"	On 13th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCIBIADES"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"LAERTES"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMEDES"	On 6th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEUKLA"	On 20th March.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 30th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PATROCLUS"	On 13th February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"ANTENOR"	On 20th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 27th February.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & ALL PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO.	"YANGTZE"	On 24th February.
HAMA	"TAMURA"	On 1st February.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA, and PACIFIC COAST	"PINGSUY"	On 8th February.
	"DANFA"	On 26th February.

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# CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CEBU and LOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 20th January.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 30th January.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COO K TO W N, C A I L N E, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	On 1st February.

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# PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
LONDON & C. via Usual Ports	OCEANA	Noon, 27th	See Special of Call.
	W. Hayward, R.N.R.	January	Advertisement.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	DELHI	About 27th
	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	January

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOKOHAMA via SHANGHAI, CEYLON and MOJI and KOBE	C.F. Lockstone, R.N.R.	About 31st
	C.F. Lockstone, R.N.R.	January

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, MALACCA and COLOMBO, PORT SAID	C.J. Benton, R.N.R.	About 31st
	C.J. Benton, R.N.R.	January

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOKOHAMA via SHANGHAI, NUBIA and MOJI and KOBE	P.J. Fox	About 4th
	P.J. Fox	February

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. [1]

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Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
SHAWMUT	9,666	E. V. Roberts	On 28th January.
HYADES	3,753	J. Alwan	On 10th February.
TELEONT	9,666	T. W. Garlick	On 20th February.

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QUEEN'S BUILDINGS,  
Hongkong, 12th January, 1906. [7]

# PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

FOR  
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THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to COLOMBO	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES (Brindisi) 2 days earlier	Due at PLYMOUTH (London) 1 day later	
	7000	Neon	Saturday	Friday	
ARCADIA ...	7000	Feb. 10	BRITANNIA ... 7000	Mar. 10	Mar. 16
DELHI ...	8000	Feb. 24	MOLDAVIA ... 10000	Mar. 24	Mar. 30
DONGOLA ...	8000	Mar. 10	MONGOLIA ... 10000	April 7	April 13
DELTA ...	8000	Mar. 24	MOOLTAN ... 10000	April 21	April 27
OCEANA ...	7000	April 7	MARMORA ... 10000	May 5	May 11
			Sunday	Saturday	
ARCADIA ...	7000	April 21	VICTORIA ... 7000	May 20	May 26
DEVANHA ...	8000	May 5	HIMALAYA ... 7000	June 3	June 9
DELHI ...	8000	May 19	INDIA ... 8000	June 17	June 23

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Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following—

INTERMEDIATE (non-transshipment) STEAMERS  
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CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS.	Leave	Leave	Due at
	HONGKONG	SINGAPORE	LONDON
	about	about	about
† JAPAN	Feb. 14	Feb. 23	Mar. 31
† SUMATRA	Feb. 25	Mar. 9	Apr. 14
† NUBIA	Mar. 14	Mar. 23	Apr. 28
† JAYA	Mar. 28	Apr. 6	May 12
† FORMOSA	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	May 26

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.

† "SUMATRA" and "NUBIA" call at MARSEILLES.

† "JAPAN," "JAYA" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1906.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN  
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS  
AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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Hongkong, 18th January, 1906. T. ARIMA, Manager. [14]

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1906. [5]

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# JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJILATJAP.	JAVA	Second half of January	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of February
TJIPANAS.	JAPAN	Second half of January	JAVA PORTS	First half of February
TJIMAH.	JAVA	Second half of February	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of February
TJILIWONG.	JAPAN	Second half of February	JAVA PORTS	First half of March

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HEAD AGENCY OF THE

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York Buildings, 1st Floor.  
Hongkong, 17th January, 1906. Telephone No. 373. [16]

# VESELS ON THE BERTH

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"BENARBY"

Captain Satchell, will be despatched as above on or about the 4th February.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIA LINE

VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR

SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, HERBERTSHOEHE, MATUPI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

On TUESDAY, the 6th February, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ SIGISMUND," Captain Leuz, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1906. [186]

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## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

## CHINESE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

The 25th and 26th instant, have been declared Public Holidays. On the 25th inst., the Post Office will be entirely closed. On the 26th instant, the Post Office will open from 8 a.m. until the despatch of the United States Mail, at 11 a.m., and there will be one delivery and one collection of letters on Sunday.

In the event of the English Mail arriving from Europe, the Post Office will open for one hour after its arrival and there will be one delivery.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The Delhi, with the English mail of the 29th December, left Singapore on Saturday, the 20th instant, at 6 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at 8 a.m. This packet brings reports to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 22nd November, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 20th December and for despatch overland on the 27th December.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per s.s. *Wingchai* on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for MACAO, is closed at 8.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for CANTON, NAMTAO, SANBUR, KONGMOON, KUMCHUK, SAMSHUI, and WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m.

No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE.
Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Newcastle, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Empire	Wednesday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
Bangkok	Chowfa	Wednesday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KORE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER (B.C.)	Athenian	Wednesday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila	Loongsang	Wednesday, 24th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	Hueninghan	Wednesday, 24th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Yokohama	Wednesday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang, Hongkong and Colombo	China	Wednesday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai	Anping Maru	Friday, 26th, 5.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KORE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	Manchuria	Wednesday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra postage 10 cents.)		
EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN		Wednesday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, 26th instant, at 11.00 a.m.		
Manila	Zafiro	Saturday, 27th, 3.00 P.M.
Mojji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Tacoma	Shawmut	Monday, 29th, 11.00 A.M.
Amoy, Swatow and Rangoon	Zaidi	Monday, 29th, 5.00 P.M.
Cebu and Iloilo	Kailong	Tuesday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	Tea	Tuesday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.	January 23rd.
Telegraphic Transfer	2.04
Bank Bills, on demand	2.04
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2.04
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	2.04
Credit, at 4 months sight	2.04
Documentary Bills, 1 month sight	2.1
ON PARIS.	
Bank Bills, on demand	256
Credit, at 4 months sight	256
ON GERMANY.	
On demand	2.84
ON NEW YORK.	
Bank Bills, on demand	40
Credit, 60 days sight	504
ON BOMBAY.	
Telegraphic Transfer	151
Bank, on demand	151
ON CALCUTTA.	
Telegraphic Transfer	151
Bank, on demand	151
ON SHANGHAI.	
Bank, at sight	71
Private, 30 days sight	72
ON YOKOHAMA.	
On demand	94
ON MANILA.	
On demand	94
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	15 p.m.
ON HATYAI.	
On demand	1 p.m.
ON SAIGON.	
On demand	1 p.m.
ON HONGKONG.	
On demand	60
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	9.75
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	52.20
SILVER, per oz.	39

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

**THE ENGLISH MAIL.**  
The P. & O. str. *Delhi* left Singapore for this port on the 20th Jan., at 6 p.m., and is due here to-morrow, at 8 a.m.

**THE AMERICAN MAIL.**  
The P.M. str. *Korea* left Yokohama on the 18th Jan., and is due here on or about the 31st Jan.

**THE GERMAN MAIL.**  
The I.G.M. str. *Roon* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 21st Jan., at 10 p.m., and may be expected here on or about 30th Jan.

The I.G.M. str. *Zieten* left Colombo on the 20th Jan., p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 31st Jan.

**MERCHANT STEAMERS.**  
The Boston S.S. Co.'s str. *Shawmut* sailed from Shanghai on the 18th Jan., for Manila and Hongkong, and may be expected here to-day.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Achilles* left Singapore on the 18th Jan., at 5 p.m., and is due here to-day.

The Russian East Asiatic str. *Malaya*, from Shanghai, is due here to-day, a.m.

The N.D.L. str. *Bornio* left Sandakan on the 20th Jan., p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 25th Jan.

The J.C.J. Lijn str. *Gyffars* left Kobe via Amoy and Anoy for this port on the 18th Jan., and may be expected here on or about 29th Jan.

The str. *Gregory* Ayer, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 23rd Jan., p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 29th Jan.

The J.-C.-J. Lijn str. *Tijlslap* left Macassar for this port on the 22nd Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 31st Jan.

The N.Y.K. chartered str. *Cornfield* left Bombay on the 17th Jan., and is due to arrive here about the 1st Feb.

The Indo-China str. *Laurel* left Calcutta for this port on the 18th Jan., and may be expected here on or about 2nd Feb.

The Boston S.S. Co.'s str. *Tremont* sailed from Puget Sound on the 7th Jan., for Hongkong via the usual ports.

The Barber Line str. *Shimosa* left New York on the 16th Dec.

The E. & A. str. *Eastern* left Sydney on the 11th Jan., and is due here on the 3rd Feb.

The C.P.R. str. *Farlar* left Vancouver on Monday, the 8th Jan., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

The C.N. str. *Teinan*, from Australian ports, left Sydney on the 12th Jan., and may be expected here on or about 5th Feb.

The I.G.M. str. *Wilhelms* left Sydney on the 22nd Jan., at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday or Sunday, the 10th or 11th Feb.

**STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.**  
Dec 29th—*Achilles*, *Avila*, *Denishire*, *Menelaus*, *Salazie*, *Ras Isa*, *Verona*, *Edra*, *Amha*. Jan. 2nd—*Scandia*, *Baralong*, *Hyades*, *Rohr*, *Redhill*. 5th—*Bennet*, *C. Ford*, *Lazie*, *Denacian*, *Glenlogan*. 9th—*Banca*, *Benedic*, *Nubia*, *Peleus*, *Saxonia*, *Zieten*, *Cambrian*. 12th—*Indra*, *Minotaur*, *Perla*, *Trieste*, *Touraine*. 16th—*Idunna*, *Perla*, *Radnor*, *Idunna*, *Gilda*. 18th—*Armand*, *Belic*, *Bengali*, *Loch Tay*.

**ARRIVALS AT HOME**  
Jan. 19th—*Duclaux*, *Prinz Heinrich*.

**BOOKED TO HONGKONG.**  
By the P. & O. str. *Moldavia*, from London, Dec. —. Mr. L. W. Longstaff, Dr. and Mrs. Wharrey, Miss Wharrey, Mr. W. Cameron, Mr. W. K. Piers, Mr. G. J. Beldon.

By the P. & O. str. *Nubia*, from London, Dec. 23rd. — Mrs. Rankin and children, Mrs. G. Y. Verron, Miss Verron, Mr. T. C. Verron, Lieut. and Mrs. Gott, Lieut. Pierce, Eng.-Com. G. T. Keewell.

By the P. & O. str. *Mongolia*, from London, Jan. 5th, connecting with the P. & O. steamer *Dongola* at Colombo. — Rev. F. Jones, Mr. J. D. Stocker, Mr. Vaughan Morgan, Miss Collett, Mr. Vaughan Morgan, Mrs. Macgregor, Miss Child, Mr. L. W. Longstaff, Sir H. Jermingham, Mr. C. Cranston, Miss Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Streetfield.

By the P. & O. str. *Java*, from London, Jan. 6th. — Mr. E. Olden and Mr. J. H. Chalmers.

By the I.G.M. str. *Preussen* — Major and Mrs. Peters.

**PASSENGERS.**  
ARRIVED.  
Per *Austria*, from Trieste, &c., Mrs. Kimmelmann and daughter, Messrs. Engel, Zech and Stauber.

Per *Salazie*, for Hongkong from Marseilles, Rev. Robert Luce and Mr. E. Berrazo; from Port Said, Mr. Bochani; from Colombo, Mr. C. Roth; from Singapore, Messrs. Norman and Vatri; from Saigon, Mrs. Darville and Mr. Faustino Lichoume; for Shanghai from Marseilles, Mr. and Mrs. Duval, Messrs. Marchal, Lemoine, Mr. and Mrs. Roy and 2 children, Messrs. Mequet, Labonne, Retournaud, Deyen, Lehretop, Chaze, Gaillard, Paul, Viola, Tomasi, Angelo, Guenon and Biston; from Port Said, Messrs. E. Schwarz and Rebinan; from Colombo, Mrs. Wolf and Mr. Noel; from Singapore, Mr. Sellman; from Saigon, Mr. Krieger; for Kobe, Mr. Minami; for Yokohama from Marseilles, Messrs. de Silla, Janda, Dallas and Ohaya; from Colombo, Rev. Worcester; from Singapore, Mrs. Grove and Mr. Hadjee Hassan; from Saigon, Mr. Heinrich Hassel.

Per *Polynesien*, for Saigon, Mrs. Balliste, Messrs. Bertrand, R. E. O. Bird, S. L. Castello, V. Kishnamall, A. H. Crook and Dhanamall; for Singapore, Messrs. L. S. Lewis, Hassanali, Shukardin, S. dos Remedios, J. Tourneville, Shukardin, Mr. and Mrs. Gendron; for Colombo, Miss Jutta Stagemann; for Marseilles, Mr. and Miss Gage, Revs. Leclande, Brissou, Villacide, and Mr. Thomas McLelland.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, January 23rd.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	\$200	\$100, sellers
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$807, sellers
National B. of China	25	\$38, buyers
A. Shares	125	\$4, sellers
China-Hongkong Co.	125	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	110	\$9, sales & sellers
China Provident	110	\$8.50, ex. div.
Cotton Mills—		
Evo.	115	115, buyers
Hongkong	115	115, buyers
International	115	115, buyers
Loan Kung Mow	115	115, buyers
Boyalce	115	115, buyers
Dairy Farm	115	115, buyers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farmanha, B. & Co.	115	115, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	115	115, buyers
H. & W. Dock	115	115, buyers
New Amoy Dock	115	115, buyers
Shai & H. Wharf	115	115, buyers
Fenwick & Co. Geo.	115	115, buyers
G. Island Cement	115	115, buyers
Hongkong & C. Gas	115	115, buyers
Hongkong Electric	115	115, buyers
Do. New	115	115, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	115	115, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	115	115, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co.	115	115, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	115	115, buyers
H'kong S. Waterboat	115	115, buyers
Insurance—		
Canlon	115	115, buyers
China Fire	115	115, buyers
China Traders	115	115, buyers
Hongkong Fire	115	115, buyers
North China	115	115, buyers
Union	115	115, buyers
Yongtse	115	115, buyers
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	115	115, buyers
Humphrey's Estate	115	115, buyers
Kowloon Land & B.	115	115, buyers
Shanghai & H. Wharf	115	115, buyers
West Point Building	115	115, buyers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	115	115, buyers
Philippine Co.	115	115, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	115	115, buyers
Luzon Sugar	115	115, buyers
Steamship Companies—		
China and Japan	115	115, buyers
Donghai Steamship	115	115, buyers
H. Canton & M.	115	115, buyers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	115	115, buyers
Shall Transport Co.	115	115, buyers
Do. Preference	115	115, buyers
Star Ferry	115	115, buyers
Do. New	115	115, buyers
Shanghai & H. Wharf	115	115, buyers
South China M. Post	115	115, buyers
Steam Laundry Co.	115	115, buyers
Do.	115	115, buyers
Stores & Dispensaries—		
Campbell, B. & Co.	115	115, buyers
Powell & Co., Wm.	115	115, buyers
Watkins	115	115, buyers
Watson & Co., A. S.	115	115, buyers
United Asbestos	115	115, buyers
Do. Foundries	115	115, buyers

VERNON &amp; SMYTH, Brokers.

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From January 24th to 30th, 1906.

To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 15 sec.

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HONGKONG OBSERVATORY, JANUARY 23RD.

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